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## PETITION FOR REFUND OF ISSUE FEE PURSUANT TO 27 CFR 1.26(a)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.26(a), the Applicants hereby request a refund of the Issue Fee paid on June 13, 2007. On June 12, 2007 the Applicants filed a Request for a Continued Examination pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114(e). Subsequently, a day later on June 13, 2007 the Issue Fee was paid by mistake. Because the Request for a Continued Examination was properly and timely filed prior to the payment of the Issue Fee, such payment was a mistake and Applicants request the Issue Fee be refunded. Specifically, Applicants request that the Issue Fee be refunded to Deposit Account Number 10-0750, the Account from which the Issue Fee was mistakenly paid. Alternatively, if a refund cannot be granted, Applicants request that this application be credited the amount already paid for the Issue Fee such that when the Request for a Continued Examination is completed and the application presumably sets to issue, then the Applicants can choose to apply the previously paid Issue Fee to the application prior to the Issue Fee Due Date.

Please make us aware of your decision at your earliest convenience. If you believe that a telephone call would facilitate the resolution of any outstanding issues, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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